## **CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT**

**Date:** Wednesday, November 2, 2011

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## CALTRANS ANNOUNCES CLOSURE OF BERNARD DRIVE IN KETTLEMAN CITY DUE TO CONSTRUCTION

WHAT: FULL CLOSURE OF BERNARD DRIVE LOCATED EAST OF NORTHBOUND

**STATE ROUTE 41.** 

WHEN: TODAY, NOVEMBER 2 – NEXT WEEK, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>.

WHERE: KINGS COUNTY; ON STATE ROUTE (SR) 41 IN KETTLEMAN CITY FROM

JUST SOUTH OF UTICA AVENUE TO JUST SOUTH OF QUAIL AVENUE.

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces that *Granite Construction, Inc.* continues construction of the **Kettleman City Rehabilitation Improvement Project.** Portable Changeable Message Signage (PCMS) and appropriate detour signage are in place during construction to notify motorists of closures and delays. (Schedule subject to change due to weather or unforeseen contractor operations)

In order to safely begin construction of the concrete pavement phase of this project, Bernard Drive located east of SR 41 will be closed to motorists beginning TODAY. This closure is necessary in order to safely initiate and complete this phase of the project, which includes excavation, concrete form installation, base rock and concrete pouring. It is anticipated that Bernard Drive located west of State Route 41 will be closed on Thursday, November 11; or upon completion of the eastside location. Motorists are advised that all businesses located east and west of State Route 41 are open for business!

Businesses located on the eastside of SR 41 may be accessed from northbound SR41:

 Turn right onto Ward Drive; continue and turn left to access businesses located on Bernard Drive (Mobil, Starbucks, Taco Bell, Jack in-the Box etc.); proceed back towards Ward Drive to access northbound SR41.

Businesses located on the westside of SR 41 may continue to be accessed from southbound SR41.

Motorists should allow additional time for their commute or use an alternate route. Delays of up to 20-minutes within this area may be possible at any time.

Caltrans and Granite Construction thank the businesses, residents and commuters for their patience during this improvement project. The public is asked to drive with extra care while traveling through this construction project and reminds motorists to please "Slow for the Cone Zone" at all times. Questions regarding this project can be directed to the Caltrans District 6 Public Information Office at the number listed above.



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